

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
UTILITY DIVISION  
AGENDA NO. 00-09-05**

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For Work Week Commencing: September 5, 2000  
Business Meeting: September 5, 2000, 10:00 a.m.

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**Work Sessions** All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated (Dan).

1. D2000.6.89 – Qwest – Wholesale Pricing Docket – To act on motions to suspend (9/5/00)
2. MPC Sale – Placeholder – (9/5/00)
3. MPC's final bill policy – Discuss company policy, consumer complaints; obtain commission direction (9/5/00)
4. D2000.6.91 – Mountain Water Company, Superior – Application for approval of transfer of assets/operating responsibilities to the Town of Superior – Action on order approving the sale and transfer (9/5/00)
5. D2000.7.112 – Mountain Water Company – Rate increase application – Action on Motion for Protective Order (9/5/00)
6. D2000.8.125 – Cooke City Exchange – Cooke City EAS with Bozeman EAS Region – Preliminary discussion (9/5/00)

7. N2000.8.135 – Essen Communication Corp – Request for PSC ruling re: application of Qwest cellular alternative program to resellers – Discuss issue as described in 8/28/00 letter from Marty Essen (9/5/00)

Weekly Scheduling Meeting – Will be held at 9:45 a.m. on the day of the Business Meeting

**Action Items** All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. CENEX PIPELINE D2000.7.101 (Joel)

On July 12, 2000, Cenex Pipeline filed a request to increase rates and charges to shippers on its Laurel to Glendive refined products pipeline. Cenex requested an increase of \$2,180,000 in total annual revenues or 25% to help offset the replacement of part of the pipeline between Billings and Glendive. A notice of application and intervention deadline was issued on August 1, 2000, with requests for hearing due on August 25, 2000. No requests for hearing were received. A default order has been drafted and this is ready for action.

2. HAVRE PIPELINE D2000.7.106 (Joel)

On August 2, 2000, Havre Pipeline filed a request to increase rates and charges to its farm tap customers. The amount requested was approximately \$0.6251 per MCF higher than the current \$1.4047 per MCF. This increase is only to recover the increased cost of gas. A notice of application and intervention deadline was issued on August 1, 2000, with requests for hearing due on August 25, 2000. No requests for hearing were received. A default order has been drafted and this is ready for action.

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**Information Items** All items identified below are for information only.

**Tentative Action Items for Agenda 00-09-11**

**New Filings Received in Past Week**

- D2000.8.129 – Qwest /Link Networks – Interconnection agreement
- D2000.8.130 – Qwest/Pilgrim – Interconnection agreement
- D2000.8.131 – Qwest/Fairpoint – Local interconnection agreement
- D2000.8.132 – Qwest/WWC Holding Co – Type 2 wireless interconnection agreement
- D2000.8.133 – Qwest/Continental FS – resale agreement
- D2000.8.134 – Qwest/American Fiber Network – Local interconnection agreement
- N2000.8.135 – Essen Communication – Request for ruling
- D2000.8.136 – Qwest/Choctaw & Smoke – Application for resale agreement
- D2000.8.137 – Qwest/New Access – Application for resale agreement
- D2000.8.138 – Qwest/ServiSense – Application for resale agreement
- D2000.8.139 – Qwest/Arch Paging & Mobile Comm of American - Paging Connection Agreement